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## **Witness List for Oversight Hearing to Assess EPA's Efforts to Reduce Mercury Pollution from Dental Sources**

Washington D.C. (May 24, 2010) – Chairman Dennis Kucinich (D-OH) today announced the witness list for a Domestic Policy Subcommittee hearing entitled “Assessing EPA's Efforts to Measure and Reduce Mercury Pollution from Dentist Offices.” The hearing will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building.

The purpose of this hearing is to examine actions undertaken by EPA and other stakeholders to improve measurement of and limit mercury pollution from dental sources. Mercury contained in the existing dental fillings of Americans compromises over half of all mercury in use today, amounting to over 1000 tons. Dental offices are the third largest user of mercury, after wiring device/switch makers and manufacturers of measuring and control instruments. Dental amalgam is a significant source of mercury waste in the environment. This is the Subcommittee's third hearing on this topic. Previous hearings were held on [November 14, 2007](#) and [July 8, 2008](#).

### Witness List

#### Panel One

Ms. Nancy Stoner  
Deputy Assistant Administrator for Water  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water

#### Panel Two

Mr. William Walsh  
Of Counsel, Pepper Hamilton, LLP  
Representing American Dental Association (ADA)

Mr. Steven Brown  
Executive Director  
The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS)

Mr. Al Dube  
National Sales Manager, Dental Division  
SolmeteX division of Layne Christensen Company

Mr. Alexis Cain  
Scientist  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5  
(for identification purposes only)

Mr. John Reindl  
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